<u>2005 – 2007 REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LANGUAGE IN APPROPRIATION ACT</u>

AGENCY: Arkansas Court of Appeals ACT#: NEW SECTION#:

CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

LEGAL COUNSEL. AMENDED TO INCLUDE DEPENDENCY-NEGLECT REPRESENTATION. The Arkansas Court of Appeals existing appropriation for legal counsel in criminal appeals is hereby amended to include the payment of legal fees for attorneys who are appointed pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. Section 9-27-316(h)(1)(Supp. 2003) to represent a parent or guardian in the appeal of a proceeding to remove custody from a parent or guardian or to terminate parental rights of a juvenile, and the Arkansas Court of Appeals is hereby appropriated an increase of \$90,000 to its Legal Counsel appropriation, for each year of the biennial period ending June 30, 2007, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund.

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

NO RECOMMENDATION